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 Original patent application  
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**TITLE: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DATA RECOVERY**

**Claim Small Entity Status**

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Specification  
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 Declaration and Power of Attorney       signed       unsigned or partially signed  
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 Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449 with Cited References  
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